

WRAPAROUND

Wraparound is a family-centered, strengths-based, needs-driven planning process. Wraparound supports family voice, choice and ownership of strategies to return or maintain children in their community with normalized and inclusive community options, activities and opportunities. Wraparound requires perseverance to create and provide a highly individualized planning process and to continue until the desirable outcomes for the child(ren) and families are achieved.

Wraparound is facilitated through community-based agencies by the utilization of Child and Family Teams (CFT). The CFTs develop, implement, monitor and revise uniquely tailored Child and Family Plans of Care that include the strengths, needs and related strategies, services and supports to provide whatever it takes to address the needs of the child and family in order to maintain safety and permanency in a community-based setting.

Program Eligibility:

- ❖ Ward of the Juvenile Court pursuant to the Welfare and Institutions Code, Sections 601, or 602.
- ❖ Is **at imminent risk of placement** within the next thirty (30) days in a group home at a Rate Classification Level (RCL) 10 or above.
- ❖ A child who is currently placed in a RCL 10 or above and is within 30 days of returning to the community.
- ❖ Probationer must be no older than 17.5 months old

Wraparound is a Voluntary Program therefore both minor and parent/ caregiver must agree to participate in Wraparound. If either participant (parent/caregiver or youth) do not agree to participate, treatment will not be activated.

Referral Process

Referrals are the responsibility of the case-carrying Deputy Probation Officer which are filtered through the Wraparound Unit for initial assessment of eligibility and suitability.

Suitable referrals are sent to the Wraparound Probation Liaison who then schedules the referral for a screening date. All referrals are screened for suitability by the Interagency Screening Committee (ISC) on a rotating basis. The ISC is comprised of representatives from Probation, Department of Mental Health and the Department of Children and Family Services.

After the ISC agrees that a case is suitable for Wraparound, the referral is assigned to a Wraparound agency. The Wraparound provider agency has 7 actual days to make face to face contact with the parent/caregiver. Once the parent/caregiver signs the Wraparound agreement form, the treatment begins immediately providing 24/7 intensive supervision.

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